



**THIRD PROCLAMATION  
BY THE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF PEORIA  
UNDER THE DECLARATION OF EMERGENCY TERMINATING THE SECOND  
PROCLAMATION AND REOPENING CITY BUILDINGS AND FACILITIES**

**BY THE AUTHORITY VESTED** in me, I, Cathy Carlat, as Mayor of the City of Peoria, do hereby proclaim a state of local emergency continues to exist and acknowledge the necessity of reopening City Buildings and Facilities and the phased resumption of operations to recover City services affected by COVID-19.

WHEREAS, the City of Peoria (“Peoria”) is responding to the developments associated with the COVID-19 pandemic and in order to preserve the public peace, health, and safety of the City and its residents, with this Third Proclamation (“Third Proclamation”) intends to provide for the reopening of City Buildings and Facilities and the phased resumption of City operations and services; and

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the Governor of the State of Arizona, Douglas A. Ducey, declared that a State of Emergency exists in Arizona due to the COVID-19 outbreak and determined that that COVID-19 outbreak presents conditions that are, or are likely to be, beyond the control of services, personnel, equipment, and facilities of any single county, city or town, and which requires the combined efforts of the State of Arizona and its political subdivisions; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, declared the COVID-19 outbreak a state of national emergency that began March 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, on March 19, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Peoria, Cathy Carlat, by proclamation declared a State of Emergency (“Declaration of Emergency”) to protect the health, safety and welfare of the City and its residents; the Declaration of Emergency is incorporated herein; and

WHEREAS, on March 20, 2020 the Honorable Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, issued Executive Order 2020-09, taking further critical measures to protect public health including closing public access to bars, theaters and indoor gyms and fitness centers in counties with confirmed cases of COVID-19, and closing access to on-site dining at restaurants; and

WHEREAS, on March 21, 2020, the Mayor of the City of Peoria, Cathy Carlat, by proclamation declared a Second Proclamation (“Second Proclamation”) closing City Buildings and City Facilities and further measures to protect public health and safety during the national, state and local public health emergency; and

WHEREAS, on March 30, 2020, the Honorable Douglas A. Ducey, Governor of the State of Arizona, issued Executive Order 2020-18, “Stay Home, Stay Healthy, Stay Connected, *Physical Distancing to Mitigate COVID-19 Transmission*,” implementing further physical distancing measures to limit the spread of COVID-19 and orders for Arizona residents to limit their time away from home with certain exceptions for essential services; and



WHEREAS, on April 17, 2020, the President of the United States, Donald J. Trump, unveiled federal guidelines "Opening up America Again," a three-phased approach based on the advice of public health experts; and

WHEREAS, on April 29, 2020, the Honorable Douglas A. Ducey, issued Executive Order 2020-33, "Return Stronger," allowing for retailers to resume operations in a limited capacity, on May 4, 2020, issued Executive Order 2020-34, "Building on Covid-19 Success," referencing the federal guidelines, Arizona specific health data in alignment with CDC guidance and initiating the phased resumption of certain additional business operations to account for continued mitigation of Covid-19 while slowly and strategically loosening restrictions to reenergize the economy; and

WHEREAS, the City has developed the City of Peoria Covid-19 Recovery Plan consistent with the federal guidelines and the State of Arizona's reopening guidance to provide for the phased resumption of City operations and City services; and

WHEREAS, the Mayor of the City of Peoria is authorized pursuant to Arizona Revised Statute (A.R.S.) §§ 26-301—317, Article II, Section 7 of the Peoria City Charter, Chapter 10 of the Peoria City Code and the Council approved 2015 City of Peoria Emergency Operations Plan, to govern by proclamation and impose all necessary regulations to preserve the public peace, health, or safety of the City and its residents; and

WHEREAS, the City intends to take further actions to protect the public health and safety during this local, state, and national public health emergency and implement additional measures to begin a phased resumption of City Operations and City Services to continue mitigating the spread of Covid-19 and protecting the health and safety of City employees and City residents.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Cathy Carlat, as Mayor of the City of Peoria, County of Maricopa, State of Arizona, acting under the power vested in me pursuant to A.R.S. §§ 26-301—317, the Peoria City Charter, Article II, Section 7, Chapter 10 of the Peoria City Code and the Council approved 2015 City of Peoria Emergency Operations Plan, the Declaration of Emergency and the above Recitals, I do hereby proclaim and order that:

1. Effective May 18, 2020 at 7:00 A.M. (MST):
  - A. All Public City Buildings and Facilities shall be re-opened to the public except as otherwise determined by the City Manager for specified purposes, notice of which shall be provided to the members of the public. City employees shall continue a phased return to work on-City premises consistent with the City's phased recovery plan.
  - B. City events, programs, sports, and classes shall resume consistent with the City's phased recovery plan, the Governor's Executive Orders, and CDC guidelines.
  - C. City of Peoria City Council and other Boards or Commissions classified as Regularly Scheduled under the City Code Section § 3-6 may be conducted remotely, or in-person and scheduled at the discretion of the Mayor and City Manager consistent with the City's phased recovery plan. Members of the public will be able to stream those meetings on the City of Peoria's YouTube and Facebook pages. Further information can be found online: <https://www.peoriaaz.gov/residents/covid-19-information>.



- D. Reasonable screening may be imposed for the public to access, or remain in, City Public Buildings, Facilities or other places while the Declaration of Local Emergency is in place.
  - E. All City of Peoria water customer shutoffs shall continue to be suspended, until further notice has been provided by the Mayor to the City Manager or his designee.
  - F. The City Manager shall have the authority to carry out the administration of the re-opening of Public Buildings and Facilities, and take measures necessary to carry out the City's phased re-opening.
2. All residents, business owners, and leaders of places of worship and social organizations are urged to continue physical distancing practices that adhere to CDC guidelines and AZDHS guidance to the extent practicable.
  3. As the public health crisis related to COVID-19 continues to develop, additional signed proclamations, orders, rules and regulations as are necessary and consistent with law may be issued.
  4. The March 21, 2020 Second Proclamation is hereby terminated and is superseded by this Third Proclamation.
  5. This Third Proclamation shall be effective immediately.

Date: 5-11-2020

  
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Mayor Cathy Carlat

ATTEST:

  
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Rhonda Geriminsky  
City Clerk

